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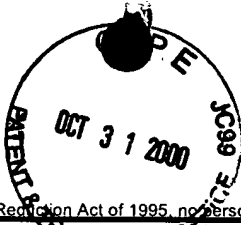
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		103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
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		139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
		147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
		112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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		115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
		116 390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month	
		117 890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month	
		118 1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
		128 1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
		119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal	
		120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		121 270	221 135	Request for oral hearing	
		138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		141 1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
		142 1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		143 440	243 220	Design issue fee	
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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- The oath or declaration is missing.  
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